

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 CAIRO 06558 191708Z  
ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 ISO-00 ARA-06 AGRE-00 IO-13 AID-05  
IGA-02 EB-08 COME-00 TRSE-00 OMB-01 SP-02 USIA-06  
NSC-05 SS-15 STR-04 CEA-01 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00  
L-03 H-01 FMC-01 /101 W  
-----200024Z 010488 /15

R 191555Z APR 77  
FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4039  
INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 6558

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EGEN PFOR EG US ETRD  
SUBJECT: GOE REACTION TO POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF SECONDARY BOYCOTT

REF: CAIRO A-1 OF 1/10/77

1. REFAIR REPORTED THAT EGYPT HAD SIGNED AGREEMENT WITH CUBA TO PURCHASE 360,000 TONS OF SUGAR OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS AND THAT A SHIPMENT OF 16,000 TONS OF CUBAN SUGAR WAS REPORTEDLY UNLOADED IN ALEXANDRIA IN LATE DECEMBER.

2. ON THE BASIS OF THIS PRESS REPORT EMBASSY THOUGHT IT WAS DESIRABLE TO BRING TO ATTENTION OF GOE SECTION 620(A)(3) OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT THAT PROVIDES THAT NO FOREIGN ASSISTANCE SHALL BE FURNISHED TO ANY COUNTRY WHICH HAS FAILED TO TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO PREVENT SHIPS UNDER ITS REGISTRY FROM TRANSPORTING ANY COMMODITIES TO AND FROM CUBA.

3. ACCORDINGLY, IN MEETING ON APRIL 13 WITH DIRECTOR MFA LEGAL DEPARTMENT NABIL AL-ARABY, POLCOUNS REFERRED TO REPORTED CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 CAIRO 06558 191708Z

EGYPTIAN PURCHASE OF CUBAN SUGAR AND GAVE AL-ARABY TEXT OF SECTION 620(A)(3) OF FAA. AL-ARABY SAID THIS WAS FIRST HE HAS HEARD OF EITHER EGYPTIAN SUGAR PURCHASE OR SECTION 620(A)(3). HE FOUND THIS SECTION "IRONIC" IN VIEW OF ANTI-ARAB BOYCOTT LEGISLATION NOW BEFORE CONGRESS BECAUSE, IN HIS OPINION, THIS SECTION WAS A CLEAR CASE OF THE APPLICATION OF A SECONDARY BOYCOTT.

4. ON APRIL 18 AL-ARABY CALLED POLCOUNS TO SAY HE HAD SENT A REPORT OF THE APRIL 13 DISCUSSION TO FONMIN FAHMY BUT HE WANTED TO CLARIFY WHETHER POLCOUNS HAD MADE DEMARCHE REQUIRING ACTION. POLCOUNS RESPONDED IN NEGATIVE SAYING THAT EMBASSY ONLY WISHED TO BE CERTAIN THAT GOE AWARE OF THIS PROVISION OF US LAW.

5. COMMENT: WE DOUBT THAT EGYPTIAN REGISTRY SHIPS WILL BE USED IN CUBAN SUGAR TRADE,BUT THOUGHT IT WISE TO BRING ARTICLE 620(A)(3) OFFICIALLY TO GOE ATTENTION.  
EILTS

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** SUGAR, LAW, TRADE AGREEMENTS, FOREIGN ASSISTANCE  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Sent Date:** 19-Apr-1977 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Date:** 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 22 May 2009  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1977CAIRO06558  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D770136-0203  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** CAIRO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1977/newtext/t19770444/aaaabltn.tel  
**Line Count:** 73  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** 65f5b4a2-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ACTION NEA  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** 77 CAIRO A-1  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 21-Jan-2005 12:00:00 am  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 2768318  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** GOE REACTION TO POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF SECONDARY BOYCOTT  
**TAGS:** EGEN, PFOR, ETRD, EG, US, CU  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgvwkey:** odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/65f5b4a2-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
22 May 2009  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009